



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
TERRI LYNN LAND, SECRETARY OF STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
LANSING

Dear Absent Uniformed Services Voter or Overseas Civilian Voter:

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) provides that a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) used to request absent voter ballots must be honored "through the next 2 regularly scheduled general elections for Federal office...." As a consequence, an absent uniformed services voter or overseas civilian voter registered to vote in Michigan who submitted an FPCA for an election conducted in 2006 is automatically eligible to receive an absent voter ballot for Michigan's January 15, 2008 presidential primary.

As Michigan's January 15, 2008 presidential primary will be conducted as a "closed" primary, any absent uniformed services voters or overseas civilian voters who are automatically eligible to receive an absent voter ballot for the presidential primary must indicate if they wish to receive the Democratic Party ballot, the Republican Party ballot or the "no party declaration" special election ballot (if any) before an absent voter ballot can be sent to the voter. The form shown below can be used to satisfy the ballot selection requirement. Simply forward the form by mail, email or fax to the clerk of your city or township of registration in Michigan.

If you are an absent uniformed services voter or overseas civilian voter who is qualified to vote in Michigan but are not automatically eligible to receive an absent voter ballot for the presidential primary, you can apply for an absent voter ballot for the presidential primary by submitting a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) form to the clerk of the city or township where you last resided in Michigan. Your party ballot selection for the presidential primary can be conveyed to the clerk by writing it on the FPCA form or submitting the form shown below.

Please feel free to contact the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections if you have any questions.  
Phone: (517) 373-2540 Email: <elections@michigan.gov> Fax: (517) 373-0941.

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<p><b>ABSENTEE VOTER BALLOT SELECTION FORM</b> <b>-- January 15, 2008 Presidential Primary --</b></p>
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Please print full name

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Street Address or R.R.

I hereby request the ballot type marked below for the January 15, 2008 presidential primary. (You must select **one** ballot type below. If you do not select a ballot type, a ballot will **not** be issued to you.)

**SELECT ONLY ONE BALLOT TYPE:**

- ☐ Republican Party Presidential Primary Ballot.
- ☐ Democratic Party Presidential Primary Ballot.
- ☐ Ballot without Presidential Primary (if available). Note: This ballot choice is for voters not voting in the presidential primary who wish to vote on local proposals or candidates (if on ballot).

